

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL  
JANUARY 19, 1955

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:00 o'clock p.m. of Wednesday, January 19, 1955; Councilmen Hughes, Mitchell, Richey and Mayor Fuller present; Councilman Robinson absent. City Attorney Mullen and City Manager Weller were also present.

Minutes of a previous meeting of December 1, 1954, were approved as written and mailed.

COMMUNICATIONS

CVD-LCC MEETING	Letter from the Central Valley Division of the League of California Cities announcing the regular meeting of the Division to be held in the City of Tracy, January 20, 1955.
TWEEDY-HANES REZONING	Letter from Mrs. Ethel Tweedy and Harold Hanes appealing the decision of the City Planning Commission in denying the appellants' request for the rezoning of property on Lodi Avenue between California and Rose Streets from the R-3 Residence Zone to the Commercial Zone. The City Manager also read a petition with twenty-one signers objecting to the rezoning of the above property. Mr. Weller then reviewed the minutes of the City Planning Commission on the subject. Mr. Harold J. Willis, an attorney representing Mr. Hanes, addressed the Council to state that the Planning Commission's decision in denying the request should be overruled by the City Council. He pointed out that the Farmers and Merchants Bank has announced new banking facilities to be constructed at the corner of Lodi Avenue and Church Street and a proposed commercial development is planned on the T & D property on Lodi Avenue at Fairmont Avenue. He also stated that some members of the Planning Commission had personal interests in the area or in the downtown district. Mayor Fuller pointed out that the City Council has an interest in home owners as well as in business-property owners. Mrs. E. L. Hepper and Mr. Harry Asay addressed the Council in support of the Commercial zoning. Mr. Walter Minahen spoke in opposition to the proposal. Councilman Richey then moved that the action of the Planning Commission in denying the request for rezoning be affirmed. The motion died for want of a second. Councilman Richey then moved, Mitchell second, that the matter be set for public hearing on February 2, 1955. The motion carried unanimously.
RE: SAN JOAQUIN LOCAL HEALTH DIST.	Mr. Garnet Best, Secretary-Manager of the San Joaquin County Taxpayers' Association, was introduced from the audience by the City Manager. Mr. Best stated that he was interested in the appointment to the San Joaquin Local Health District to be made by the City Council. Mr. Best stated that the Association did not have any particular party in mind, but it did feel that it was an important position and should be held by a taxpayer as distinguished from an individual employed to spend public money. The City Council agreed to defer the appointment.

## REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

SAFEWAY  
STORE  
STREET  
WIDENING

The City Manager reported that he had been contacted by Safeway Stores regarding the Council's action on October 6, 1954, in reducing the width by which the north side of East Lodi Avenue is to be widened from seven to five feet. This action is causing distress to Safeway Stores because their plans were based upon the seven foot widening. Safeway Stores now requests that the widening be redetermined at seven feet, allowing for a five foot sidewalk. Councilman Richey stated that at the time the Council reversed the decision to widen seven feet the Council did so believing that it would not affect Safeway Stores, but now finds that it does make a difference. On the motion of Councilman Mitchell, Hughes second, the Council voted to rescind the action of October 6, 1954, and set the curb line on the north side of East Lodi Avenue between Washington and Stockton Streets seven feet to the north with the understanding that the curb line on the north side of the remainder of East Lodi Avenue be set north five feet.

## MOUNCE DEED

A deed from Roy Mounce offering for dedication a street intersecting Pinkerton Avenue from the east between Pine Street and Victor Road was presented with the request that it be accepted by the City. On the motion of Councilman Hughes, Mitchell second, the Council voted to authorize the City Clerk to accept said deed subject to the approval of the street by the City Engineer.

JOINT MEET-  
ING WITH  
RECREATION  
COMMISSION


Mr. Weller reported that he had received a communication from the Recreation Director stating that the Recreation Commission wished a meeting with the City Council to discuss the State acquisition of Lodi Lake Park, for the benefit of the new members of the Commission. The Council agreed that the City Manager should set a date for the meeting which would meet the approval of the Recreation Commission.

CITY CLERK'S  
SALARY

On the motion of Councilman Hughes, Richey second, the City Clerk's salary was set at \$550 a month effective January 1, 1955.

On the order of the Mayor the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
HENRY A. GLAVES, JR.  
City Clerk